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to advance the bill, would not say to you I was happy with what happened yesterday.

SENATOR PROUD: Now, Senator Marvel, I don't want to keep you unduly there, but you indicate we have sort of have no choice and you're unhappy about what we did yesterday. Now what we did yesterday, if we want, we can undo right now. Is that correct?

SENATOR MARVEL: Well, yes sir. I mean the bill is on the board, I don't really know how many amendments were put on the bill finally, yes sir, we can but I assume that...

SENATOR PROUD: Now, now, Senator Marvel, you're Chairman of the Appropriations Committee and you've just made the statement which is understandable in all the confusion yesterday, that you don't know how many amendments were put on and off the cuff I wouldn't either. But I think it's absolutely essential that we know how many amendments were put on. Now yesterday I voted against the prison reform amendment but I'm not necessarily all against that. In fact, I favor prison reform if it fits into our overall budget picture. But let me ask you this, and I think there are some other members here who feel the same way, is there any way within the next hour or two that on a sheet or two of paper you can give us an idea of exactly where we stand with each amendment that was adopted yesterday, how much more we're spending than the Budget Committee's recommendation and what this does to the tax structure as far as the sales and income tax is concerned? Is that possible?

SENATOR MARVEL: Well, if it's the desire of the Legislature, yes sir, I can do it, but I will repeat what I said, I came here this morning at 8:00 and got these figures which I read and the impact in the next fiscal year starting July 1, 1973 is 2½ million dollars and as I recall a 1% sales tax will raise, somebody can help me with this, some place between \$36 and \$40 million a year and a 1% income tax will raise roughly \$6 million, \$6½ million. Is that approximately correct?

SENATOR PROUD: Well now, Senator...

SENATOR MARVEL: So you can see the impact that we had assuming, assuming that we have, we had no spread left. Now, let me say this to you and of course part of this will depend on what we do with the rest of the A-bills on the board. We had before yesterday about \$8½ million in A-bills. If we don't pass all those A-bills, even with this \$2½ million increase, we're not going to appreciably effect the sales/income tax for the next year.

SENATOR PROUD: Now, Senator Marvel, Senator Stahmer has just placed a note here before me which I think merits very serious consideration. He suggests and of course he can speak for himself, but since I have the floor, he opted to do it this way, he suggested that we advance LB 256 and then on Select File we of course still have the right to amend that to take off any of the amendments that were adopted yesterday that we want with 25 votes. Now the only problem I personally see there is, and one thing that concerned me greatly is that on General File we adopted amendments, I believe with less than a majority of the members voting which is the rule on General File. It's the majority of those voting, so if you've got a vote of 2 to 1 or 3 to 2 or 10 to 4 you adopt an amendment spending a million or millions of dollars with only 10 members voting for it and I think this is very foolhardy, but I'm wondering if we, if we could advance this bill now, and on Select File--well, in the meantime, while it's moving from General File to Select File, if your committee under your direction could prepare us some rather complete information in as simplified form as possible, give us a chance to study